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Re: PLA 65-Lincoln Bypass; PM 12.5/23.5; EA 03-333800
Farmland Conversion Impact Rating (AD-1006)

Dear Cynthia:

As per your request I am resubmitting the Farmland Conversion Impact Rating Forms AD-1006 for alignments C-1, C-2, D-1, D-13, D-13 N. Mod. And D-13 S. Modification based on the most recent numerical values you provided to us, including the new width of the proposed highway (240 Ft. wide). It appears that even though the total number of acres that you showed in site/to be converted has increased, the ratios have remained basically the same when compared to the previous determinations. One explanation for this is that the amount of non-farmland has also increased, particularly since the last Farmland Conversion Impact Rating evaluation of 1999.

If you have any questions or need further assistance please give me a call at 530-823-6830, ext. 107. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Carol-Anne Rutenbergs

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Soil Conservationist

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

Part I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request 5/23/01			
Name Of Project Lincoln Bypass		Federal Agency Involved Federal Highways Administration (Pg 1 of 2)			
Proposed Land Use New Highway Alignment		County And State Placer County, California			
Part II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS			
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Acres Irrigated 52,600	Average Farm Size 137
Major Crop(s) Rice, Orchard Irrig. Pasture	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: 0 %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined In FPPA Acres: 14,946 % 14			
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used California System	Name Of Local Site Assessment System N/A	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS 7/2/2001			
Part III (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Alternative Site Rating			
		Site A-C-1	Site B-C-2	Site D-1	Site D-13
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly		563.0	528.0	596.0	612.0
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly					
C. Total Acres In Site		563.0	528.0	596.0	612.0
Part IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information					
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland		117.36	111.3	198.91	171.91
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland		30.3	28.1	186.24	86.5
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted		1%	1%	2.5%	1.7%
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value		N/A	N/A	N/A	
Part V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)		0 42	0 42	0 43	0 42
Part VI (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))	Maximum Points				
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	10	10	12	12
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	6	6	8	8
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	18	18	19	19
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	20	20	20	20
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	0	0	0	0	0
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	0	0	0	0	0
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	10	10	10	10
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	2	2	2	2
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5	5	5	5
10. On-Farm Investments	20	19	19	19	19
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0	0	0	0
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10	10	10	10
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	0 100	0 100	0 105	0 105
Part VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	0 42	0 42	0 45	0 42
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	0 100	0 100	0 105	0 105
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	0 142	0 142	0 148	0 147
Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Reason For Selection:					

Notes: Pg 1 of 2 - Site A=Alt C-1; Site B=Alt C-2; Site C=Alt D-1; Site D=Alt D-13

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Part I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request 5/23/01			
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Proposed Land Use New Highway Alignment		County And State Placer County, California			
Part II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS			
Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Acres Irrigated 52,600	Average Farm Size 137
Major Crop(s) Rice, Orchard Irrig. Pasture	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres: 0 %	Amount Of Farmland As Defined In FPPA Acres: 14,946 % 14			
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used California System	Name Of Local Site Assessment System N/A	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS 7/2/2001			
Part III (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Alternative Site Rating			
		Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly		583.0	611.0	0.0	0.0
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly					
C. Total Acres In Site		583.0	611.0	0.0	0.0
Part IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information					
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland		207.7	216.24		
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland		91	121.72		
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted		1.99%	2.30%		
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value		N/A	N/A		
Part V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)		0 42	0 42	0	0
Part VI (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Maximum Points			
Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))					
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	12	12		
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	8	8		
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	19	19		
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	20	20		
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	0	0	0		
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	0	0	0		
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	10	10		
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	25	2	2		
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5	5		
10. On-Farm Investments	20	19	19		
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	25	0	0		
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	10	10		
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	0 105	0 105	0	0
Part VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)		100	0 42	0 42	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)		160	0 105	0 105	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)		260	0 147	0 147	0
Date Selected:		Date Of Selection		Was A Local Site Assessment Used? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Reason For Selection:					

Notes: Pg 2 of 2 - Site A=Alt D-13 North Modified; Site B=D-13 South Modified